

## TRAVEL AND PER DIEM EXPENSES

### I. SHORT-TERM PER DIEM EXPENSES

- A. In computing reimbursement for continuous short-term travel of more than 24 hours and less than 31 consecutive days, the employee will be reimbursed for actual costs up to the maximum allowed for each meal, incidental, and lodging expense for each complete 24 hours of travel, beginning with the traveler's times of departure and return, as follows:

1. On the first day of travel on a trip of 24 hours or more:

Trip begins at or before 6 a.m.	Breakfast may be claimed on the first day.
Trip begins at or before 11 a.m.	Lunch may be claimed on the first day.
Trip begins at or before 5 p.m.	Dinner may be claimed on the first day.

2. On the fractional day of travel at the end of a trip of more than 24 hours:

Trip ends at or after 8 a.m.	Breakfast may be claimed.
Trip ends at or after 2 p.m.	Lunch may be claimed.
Trip ends at or after 7 p.m.	Dinner may be claimed.

If the fractional day includes an overnight stay, receipted lodging may also be claimed. No meal or lodging expense may be claimed or reimbursed more than once on any given date or during any 24-hour period.

3. Reimbursement shall be for actual expenses, subject to the following maximum rates:

**Meals:**

Breakfast	\$ 6.00	Receipts are not required for regular short-term travel meals
Lunch	\$ 10.00	
Dinner	\$ 18.00	
Incidentals	\$ 6.00	

**Lodging:**

Statewide	Actual up to \$84.00 plus tax
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**When required to conduct State business and obtain lodging in the counties of Los Angeles and San Diego, reimbursement will be for actual receipted lodging to a maximum of \$110 plus tax.**

**When required to conduct State business and obtain lodging in the counties of Alameda, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara, reimbursement will be for actual receipted lodging to a maximum of \$140 plus tax.**

**If lodging receipts are not submitted, reimbursement will be for meals only at the rates and time frames set forth in B#1 below.**

- B. In computing reimbursement for continuous travel of less than 24 hours, actual expenses, up to the maximums in #3 above, will be reimbursed for breakfast and/or dinner and/or lodging in accordance with the following time frames:

1. Travel begins at or before 6 a.m. and ends at or after 9 a.m.: Breakfast may be claimed. Travel begins at or before 4 p.m. and ends at or after 7 p.m.: Dinner may be claimed. If the trip of less than 24 hours includes an overnight stay, receipted lodging may be claimed. No lunch or incidentals may be reimbursed on travel of less than 24 hours.

2. Employees on short-term travel who stay in commercial lodging establishments or **commercial campgrounds** will be reimbursed for actual lodging expenses substantiated by a receipt. Employees who stay with friends or relatives, or who do not produce a lodging receipt, will be eligible to claim meals only.

## II. LONG-TERM TRAVEL AND PER DIEM EXPENSES

### A. Employee maintains a separate residence in the headquarters area:

1. Long-term travelers who maintain a permanent residence at their primary headquarters may claim daily long-term lodging up to \$24.00 with a receipt, and long-term meals of \$24.00 for each period of travel from 12 to 24 hours at the long-term location. For travel of less than 12 hours, the traveler may claim either \$24.00 in receipted lodging **or** \$24.00 in long-term meals.

### B. Employee does not maintain a separate residence in headquarters area:

1. Long-term travelers who do not maintain a permanent residence at their headquarters may claim daily receipted lodging up to \$12.00, and long-term meals of \$12.00 for each period of travel from 12 to 24 hours at the long-term locations. For travel of less than 12 hours, the travelers may claim either \$12.00 in receipted lodging **or** \$12.00 in long-term meals.

## III. MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT

Reimbursement for personal vehicle mileage is 34 cents per mile.

**Reimbursement for personal vehicle mileage using a specialized vehicle that has been modified to accommodate disabilities is 37 cents per mile.**

## IV. VEHICLE RENTAL

Reimbursement for vehicle rental shall be for actual and necessary costs of such rental and airplane usage shall be allowed at the lowest fare available. Claims for reimbursements shall be allowed upon submittal of the appropriate receipt. Refer to California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Sections 599.627 and 599.628.